City of Northampton Massachusetts

In City Council May 19, 2016 Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee

16.087 AN ORDER

To Provide CPA funds that will be used for fast action on time sensitive real estate opportunities

Ordered, that:

- WHEREAS, the Northampton Conservation Commission submitted an application for Community Preservation Act funding for the Conservation Fund.
- WHEREAS, the fund makes possible increased acquisition or protection of open space parcels in Northampton by supporting fast action on time-sensitive real estate opportunities.
- WHEREAS, the project may leverage additional public and/or private funds.
- WHEREAS, the project meets the goals of the Northampton Sustainability Plan for protection of open space and agricultural lands.
- WHEREAS, the applicant has used these funds effectively in the past towards the protection of several hundred acres of open space, reflecting the goals established by the Community Preservation Committee.
- WHEREAS, all land purchases will be reviewed and approved by the Conservation Commission and the City Council.
- WHEREAS, on April 20, 2016, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee, voted unanimously to recommend \$30,000 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$30,000 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to the Northampton Conservation Fund. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$30,000 is appropriated from the CPA Budgeted Reserve (account #2344930-359930).